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MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-NINTH MEETING OF THE USIB ELINT COMMITTEE Held in Director's Conference Room, Administration Building, CIA

Colonel Charles P. Richman, USAF, Chairman

PRESENT:

DEFENSE:

Mr. Madison E. Mitchell

NSA:

CIA:

Mr. Herbert W. Taylor

ARMY: NAVY:

Commander John T. Douglas

(for Captain Frederick Welden)

AIR FORCE:

Lt. Colonel George J. Keithley

JOINT STAFF:

Captain Theodore C. Siegmund, USN

(for Colonel Thomas L. Fisher, USAF)

STATE:

Mr. Richard E. Curl

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:

Colonel Chas. M. Townsend, USAF

ALSO PRESENT:

NSA:

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CIA:

ARMY:

Arnie L. Millican, Lt. Col., USAR (Ret.)

NAVY:

Mr. Roy Adolfson

SECRETARIAT:

Major Alva H. May, USAF

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SUBJECT NUMBER

USIB-EE-5.2/89

Item 1 on the Agenda for the Twenty-ninth Meeting of

the ELINT Committee, held on 7 April 1960.

Subject:

Approval of the Minutes of the Twenty-eighth Meeting.

PROBLEM:

To approve the Minutes which had been submitted to the Members.

DISCUSSION:

Reference Item not on the Agenda, Page 5, in the second Paragraph of the Discussion, the second and third sentences are changed to read as follows:

"One amendment eliminated the provision for the necessity for limiting the technical evaluation team to NSA and CIA. This was done in order to make possible the inclusion of a military member qualified in ELINT."

The Minutes were amended accordingly.

DECISION: (7 April 1960)

The Minutes of the Twenty-eighth Meeting, as amended, were approved.

ACTION FOR THE U.S. INTELLIGENCE BOARD:

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SUBJECT NUMBER

USIB-EE-5./36

Item 2 on the Agenda for the Twenty-ninth Meeting of

the ELINT Committee, held on 7 April 1960.

Subject:

Committee Fulfillment of its Objectives and Obligations.

PROBLEM:

To review the status of the Committee's fulfillment of its objectives and obligations; specifically, methods for evaluating pertinence, extent and quality of the ELINT produced on the basis of ELINT requirements and priorities (Paragraph 3d, DCID No. 6/2).

DISCUSSION:

The Chairman introduced the topic with reference to the report of the ad hoc group submitted with USIB-EE-5./34. He noted that the subject ties in with the ELINT Requirements List and bears on the NSA programs.

The CIA Member distributed a memorandum recommending a proposed course of action for the Committee. After reviewing the CIA paper, the Members generally concurred in the approach outlined. Before taking definitive action, however, the Members discussed in detail the tasks facing the Committee, recognizing that there was a requirement for evaluating program adequacy as well as the quality of ELINT made available to the community. This involved departmental resources as well as community resources under NSA jurisdiction.

It was noted that time limitations would not permit too comprehensive a study of the matter, as NSA hopes to have its program for Committee consideration no later than 31 May. It is hoped to present the program to USIB in conjunction with the ELINT Requirements List no later than 1 July.

Accepting the CIA memorandum as a basis, the Committee allocated certain tasks in order to proceed with the matter. These were as follows:

Paragraph 2a - Defer until the actions required in 2b, c, and d are completed.

Paragraph 2b - NSA to complete the required action, taking into account cost considerations. (To be completed no later than 31 May and submitted to the Executive Secretary for circulation)

Paragraph 2c - "The Services working in conjunction with Defense and Joint Staff to relate current programs of their direct support activities to the ERL (for completion by 31 May)."

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ITEM 2 (CONT'D)

Also, CIA, in coordination with the Military Services, to prepare those phases connected with NSCID No. 5.

Paragraph 2d - An ad hoc committee to be appointed for completion of this action following completion of action on Paragraphs 2b and c.

(NOTE: The CIA memorandum will be circulated to Members as USIB-EE-9.4/33.)

The Members agreed that the ERL would be officially designated as the ELINT Requirements List, eliminating "Priority" from the title.

DECISION: (7 April 1960)

To accept the CIA recommendations with respect to providing USIB with guidance on establishing policy relative to the allocation of national ELINT resources, and to set necessary action in motion, as noted above.

To note the report of the ad hoc committee with respect to Paragraph 3d, DCID No. 6/2, and to reconsider its recommendations when the Committee reviews the allocation of resources for recommendations to the Board. The ad hoc committee to be disbanded, and reconvened if required at a later date.

ACTION FOR THE U.S. INTELLIGENCE BOARD:

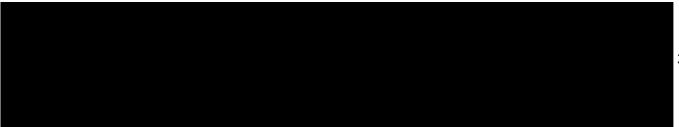
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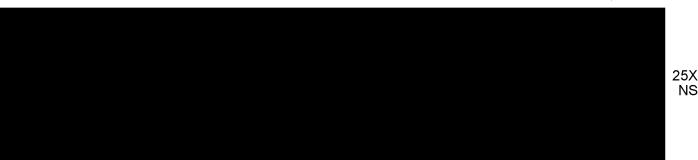
SECRETARY'S NOTES:

- 1. The Twenty-ninth Meeting, 7 April 1960, came to order at 0930.
- 2. As it has been decided that the ELINT Requirements List will be submitted to USIB at a later date in conjunction with the COMINT Requirements List and the NSA program, the Chairman will confer with the Chairman of the COMINT Committee on the advisability of notifying USIB informally of the completion of this document. Regardless of the action taken in this respect, the Members will advise their principals of its completion.



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4. The Defense Member circulated a change sheet to the Committee's Infrared Report, which is to be submitted to USIB in the near future. The proposed changes were accepted by all Members except CIA and Navy, who will phone in their positions to the Executive Secretary. Upon full resolution, the report will be submitted for USIB consideration.



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6. The meeting adjourned at 1220.